

The

Bar Hill News

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Happy Birthday to us!

It's forty years since the first brave residents moved into our village and, all summer long, we're going to be celebrating...

The biggest party will be the Annual Village Fete, taking place on Saturday, 7th July on the Village Green. Put the date in your diary now - you won't want to miss it!

Over 40 years ago, Bar Hill was nothing more than fields - and a twinkle in someone's eye! Now we're a fully fledged village, with a strong sense of community and, this year, something big to celebrate - our 40th birthday.

All summer long you'll find different celebrations to mark our 40 years. Some big, some small, and some looking back over the past 40 years - like the exhibition that will be held in the Village Hall. Have a look at the photographs on page 12 for a taste of more to come. We've definitely come a long way from those early days! Do you recognise any of those faces? Is it you? Or do you have photographs from those early days that you'd like to add to the exhibition? If so, please contact Sue on 780260.

And, of course, there's the Summer Fete! This year it will be bigger and better than ever. There's even a rumour that we may have a Helter Skelter. But we definitely have some "Strong Men" in the village. If you think you could beat them, turn to page 4 to find out how to enter the Tug of War competition. I hear tell the prize will quench

quite a few thirsts! There will be fun for all the family, with endless attractions for young and old.

If you've not yet ventured into the new Village Hall, make the Summer Fete your perfect excuse to find out just what it's like. Have a quiet cream tea there, or a jolly drink in the bar. And, while you're there, why not check out how to join the Sports and Social Club?

It seems almost all of Bar Hill is getting involved in our "birthday party" in one way or another - we've got support from many of the local businesses and displays from lots of the groups and clubs. If you're planning anything that you think other residents of the village would like to join in with, why not let us know? All the contact details are on page 2.

And if you, your group or your business are interested in getting involved in the Summer Fete, it's not too late! Please contact Kirsten Goodfield on 200228. I'm sure she would love to hear from you.

Look out for lots more information on just how you can take part in our Big Birthday Bash in next month's Bar Hill News!

DON'T GET BURNT!

Now the warmer evenings are with us and the smell of barbecues are sizzling across the village, take heed of this timely advice from Mark Taylor, Community Safety Officer for South Cambs Fire And Rescue Service.

Says Mark "We've been experiencing some delightful weather and it's only natural to want to go outdoors and enjoy it with family and friends. By following some simple rules you can ensure your barbecue is a safe enjoyable event."

- Keep young children and pets well away from the barbecue.
 - Stand portable barbecues on an even surface and make sure they are away from the house, fence or shed.
 - Use only approved lighter fuels - never petrol.
 - Lighter fuels must only be applied before lighting.
 - Remember to light your charcoal an hour before you start to cook.
 - Don't be over generous with the charcoal.
 - Be careful with fatty foods and never pour oil onto meat when it's cooking.
 - After the event, seal your charcoal bag and store it in a dry place. That way, it'll be easier to light next time.
 - If you're the chef, try not to drink too much whilst cooking!
 - Never pour petrol on a barbecue to try to re-ignite it. Start the process again - properly.
 - After you've finished, extinguish the burning coals. Then leave a period of time - 1 to 3 hours - then check the fire is out.
- If you require any further information, or would like a free Home Fire Safety Check, please do not hesitate to contact the South Cambs District office and make your appointment on 01223 376217.

Did you know?

- Bar Hill has its very own website. Simply log on to www.barhill.org.uk
- The Bar Hill News is available on audio tape. If you know anyone who could benefit from this free service, contact Julie at Camsight (tel: 01223 420033)
- The copy date for the July edition of the Bar Hill News is Friday, 15th June. Contact details for all contributors are given on page 2

BAR HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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EDITORIAL

There is no charge for Articles, What's On, For Sale and Lost & Found, and

these appear at the Editor's discretion. Please submit items by the 15th of the month. Anonymous letters will **NOT** be published, but names and addresses may be withheld. However these may be made available should a written request be received.

All telephone numbers without an area code are Crafts Hill (01954).

All items can be submitted electronically on disc or to bhneditor@yahoo.com.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor...

In reply to Mr Boughton Fox (BHN May), having read the Village Hall Trust Deed dated 21st Nov 1978 which states, 'Whereas there is vested in the Council with title absolute the freehold of the property hereinafter described and the council is in the course of erecting on the said property a Village Hall'

I am of the opinion that this seems to show that the Village Hall is in fact owned by the village and that the village does have collateral if a loan is required. I am sure that the Parish Council will endeavour to clarify the exact position.

The only other point in his letter that I wish to comment on is that his view of one committee running the building is a commendable one and with safeguards could work, but I think a new Trust Deed would need to be drawn up. The Village Hall Management Committee and Bar Hill Sports & Social Club Committee have rarely worked together as closely as we currently do for the benefit of the Village and long may it continue.

*Bob Wells, Chairman
Bar Hill Sports & Social Club*

Dear Editor...

With regards to the comments from Mr Boughton-Fox in last month's Bar Hill News, I would suggest that he has the correct information before accusing people who are trying hard to make Bar Hill a better village. A LOAN would be repaid from income and would not be a burden to residents, including OAP's and those on a low income. If he would like to attend our next meeting on 18th June in the Village Hall at 7.30pm I am sure my committee would like to meet him and discuss the matter further.

*Iain Martin
Chairman VHM*

Dear Editor...

I write this article in response to the letter by Mr Boughton Fox, published in the May edition of the Bar Hill News.

Yet again the members of the Village Hall Management Committee have been publicly vilified by someone who has not taken the time or the trouble to check out the facts of what he is condemning. None of the suggestions made by Mr Boughton-Fox would actually provide a workable

solution to our current situation and I would suggest that if anyone reading this is interested enough to want to know the facts they contact a member of our committee or attend one of our meetings.

The Village Hall as a business is running well and is now used by more people than ever before. To date there have already been 12 evening parties this year alongside 8 daytime family parties. We have 14 hours of regular evening classes every week and another 2 hours to start in September. We have been successful in attracting daytime bookings from local and national businesses for conferences and training events.

The pre-school is more successful than in the years prior to the closure of the building and the Sports and Social Club membership currently stands at over 1300 - quite possibly the highest that it has ever been. All of the people who use this building tell us what a lovely building it is and what an asset it is to the village.

We have not asked the Parish Council to give us more money but simply to take out a loan for us as we are unable to do this ourselves. We fully intend to meet every repayment of a loan as we are doing with the money we have currently borrowed. Yes - we have a financial problem with regard to the final cost of the building project and this has come about for many reasons, caused in part by decisions made by the Parish Council in the early days of this project (at which time Mr Boughton-Fox was himself a parish councillor). And we are doing our best - as we have been for many months now - to overcome it, but a letter such as that from Mr Boughton-Fox is not going to help the situation.

*Helen Gordon - member of the
Management Committee since 2001*

Dear Editor...

In response to a letter in the BHN in May, I find Mr Boughton Fox's comments detrimental to those members of the PRESENT VHM, in particular Mr Iain Martin, Mrs Helen Gordon and Mrs Anne Sweeney, who have worked tirelessly for more than 18 months to ensure that the hall was up and running for the use of the Village. It should be remembered that this Committee came in well towards the end of the project and perhaps it is previous committees that

deserve his criticisms. Perhaps it should be noted that if £77,000 had not been spent on an architectural competition for the best design for the hall and continual changes to architect's drawings, then the project may have come in under budget. Furthermore, as the £750,000 was then reduced to £673,000 as a result of the above and was held in a bank account until it was needed, was there no interest that should have been added to this amount as it was put aside for a particular project? After all the cost of materials for the build increased during the decision making time and did not stay static as the original figure.

*Mrs G Wells
Partridge Drive*

Dear Editor...

I would like to use this page to thank all those residents who sent cards and lovely comments to me on the death of Eddie. He was very special to me and my family and it was a source of great comfort to realise that other people had enjoyed his company and thought well of him.

Margaret Sellars

Dear Editor...

I think the new look Bar Hill News is great! One request I would like to make is that can we keep the information given in the Bar Hill News relevant to the village? As a resident I'm not really interested about the new bypass in Papworth, or the new water treatment works in Waterbeach. I want to know what's going on in my village. Where has my late night bus service gone? Why are so many lorries parking in Bar Hill? It can't surely be the 2 meals for £12.00 at the 'Fox'? How will the new town of Northstowe effect me getting to and from work on the notorious A14? Why has the 'Tesco' hand car wash gone? These questions might be trivial to some people but I would like to know the answers!

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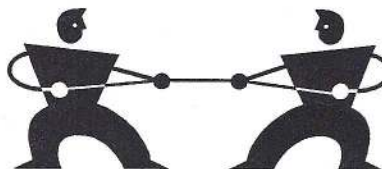
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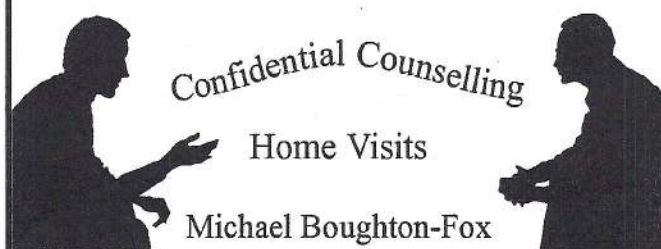
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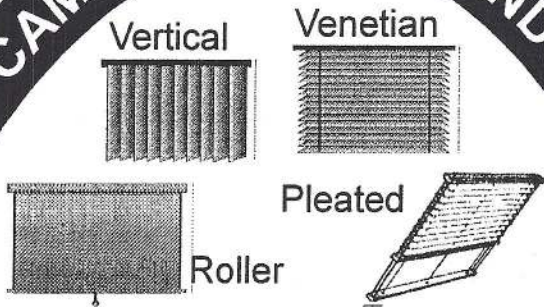
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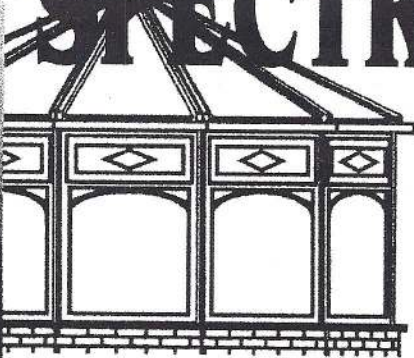
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Northstowe Area Action Plan given green light

The planning framework for the new town of Northstowe has been set by a Government Planning Inspectorate report into South Cambridgeshire District Council's (SCDC) Northstowe Area Action Plan (AAP). The Northstowe AAP provides the planning policy framework to determine any planning applications for the new town. Following a public examination of SCDC's draft AAP in Dec 2006, the Government Inspectors have made changes to the AAP, which are binding on the council. In the report, the Inspectors refer to Government statements highlighting the importance of Northstowe.

The main thrust of the changes are the removal of some detailed policy guidance in the interests of providing flexibility. The Inspectors have laid great importance on the Northstowe masterplanning process, which they state is the more appropriate place for deciding the detail about the new town. SCDC is disappointed at the level of changes and the loss of some detailed aspects of the AAP, which were intended to help provide certainty and speed up the planning application process. However, the council takes comfort in the Inspectors' comments on many issues that leave the door open for details to be resolved during the planning application process.

SCDC welcomes support for its vision of Northstowe as a 21st century innovative, sustainable town that will not be a pastiche of the past but should draw upon the traditions of fen-edge market towns as one of the inspirations for its character. Following an earlier statement from the Inspectors, the binding AAP confirms that Northstowe:

- will have a target of 10,000 homes
- will be bounded by the Cambridgeshire Guided Busway and the village frameworks of Longstanton and Oakington
- land will be safeguarded west of Station Rd, Longstanton to help meet the homes target or for longer term development.

The Inspectors also state that:

- Northstowe should not be constrained below 10,000 homes because of the continuing pressure for development in the Cambridge Sub-Region

- the AAP area is capable of more intensive development while providing a sustainable environment

- the precise number of homes will be agreed at the masterplanning stage.

SCDC welcomes the conclusion that Northstowe must aim to include 40% or more affordable housing. However, the Inspectors recognise that this is subject to economic viability in recognition of the new town's complex nature and the wide range of requirements being placed on it.

The principle of green separation between Northstowe and the nearest villages of Longstanton and Oakington is supported, but:

- defined areas are rejected
- green separation can include uses such as playing fields and allotments
- any separation will not be Green Belt, as the principle of Green Belt extension around Northstowe was rejected in a separate report
- detailed boundaries will be decided during the masterplanning process.

The inspectors also conclude that:

- country parks should not be a requirement but the layout and nature of open space will be decided during masterplanning
- there may or may not be a country park in the southern part of Northstowe, but the area offers the opportunity for leisure activities and biodiversity enhancement as proposed by SCDC, whether or not it is designated as country park
- a sustainable drainage system that allows for affects of climate change is required and there must be no worsening of the situation for nearby villages
- opportunities to reduce overall flood risk should be taken but cannot be required.

SCDC welcomes the strengthened requirement for Northstowe to set sustainable development standards and to include challenging targets for energy and water efficiency. The council included similar policies in earlier versions of the AAP but was advised to remove them.

Lorries in Bar Hill

We are still no further with the meeting about the lorries. I have received a newsletter from the HGV Route Manager and if anyone would like it forwarded to them please contact me.

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John's Jottings

Our regular monthly report from County Councillor, John Reynolds

Trading Standards

Getting up early on a wet morning to be part of a raid on a Wisbech market brings into focus the problems and successes faced by Trading Standards much more than reading a committee report. Usually we councillors get our information from briefings, reading committee papers or in press releases.

But I was privileged to be invited to take part in the raid, which started with a briefing at Wisbech Police station and ended up with a vanload of counterfeit goods being seized. I was impressed with the professionalism of Trading Standards and how officers work well with our partners such as the Police.

What was very clear from going out on the operation is that the sale of pirated goods is not a small problem or one easy to solve. Months of preparation went into this one raid and I know that over the last two years Cambridgeshire has been working hard targeting markets and seizing over a million pounds of counterfeit goods. Trading Standards are there to protect the rights of Cambridgeshire residents – a role they do very well.

It is my and my colleagues' jobs to help Trading Standards continue to carry out that hard work. Not only to look at the good work the service carries out in combating counterfeiting but look at the overall picture and campaigns as well as routine work being done.

There is no doubt in my mind that Trading Standards are having a direct positive affect on the well being of Cambridgeshire's consumers. I will be doing all I can to make sure that good work continues.

NATS Airspace Review

The NATS (National Air Traffic Services) are carrying out airspace reviews for different parts of the country to accord with the Air Transport White Paper and provide for growth, nationally in aircraft use. This may have an impact on the number and height of aircraft flying over Cambridgeshire.

The NATS say that rapid growth in the number of flights in this area is already sometimes causing difficulties for air traffic controllers and uneconomic delays for airlines. Our area is called TCNE

(Terminal Control North East). TCNE controls holds and arrivals for Stansted, Luton and Cambridge. It also controls Heathrow, Gatwick and London City departures to the East/ Northeast.

Technical work has been done by NATS in their preparatory work in redesigning the airspace. Local Authorities have supplied local information on future population growth and relevant planning and environmental constraints. NATS currently anticipate they will have a formal proposal to put out to public consultation during the first half of 2008. There are no formal proposals as yet.

NATS indicate that they expect that the current two holds in the Royston and Sudbury areas will be replaced by three holds, two of which could affect southern Cambridgeshire. NATS will carry out a 12-week consultation period for the formal proposals, including public exhibitions and presentations. It is not consultation covered by the planning legislation. But, the Cambridgeshire Local Authorities will be consultees on the proposals under best practice guidance issued by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA). We are requested that NATS hold Member briefings on the proposals at the appropriate time.

Fly Tipping Clean Up and Prevention

The responsibility for clearing up fly-tipping (on publicly owned land) and prosecuting offenders rests with the Waste Collection Authorities (WCA). For us this is South Cambridgeshire District Council. This work is undertaken under; The Environmental Protection Act 1990 (EPA), The Controlled Waste Regulations 1992 (CWR) and The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005 (CNEA)

The removal of waste fly-tipped on privately owned land is the responsibility of the landowner. However the district council will assist with investigation, identification and prosecution of the perpetrators. Cambridgeshire County Council is a Waste Disposal Authority (WDA) and is responsible for disposing of fly-tipped material collected by the WCA's.

The County Council provides a

network of Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRC's) throughout Cambridgeshire where householders can dispose of their own household waste, free of charge. The majority of residents need travel no more than seven miles to their nearest HWRC.

Walk to School Week

Around 25,000 pupils from 105 schools joined almost 2 million pupils across the country to say goodbye to the car and walking to school to show how they can take steps (literally) to save the planet. This Walk to School Week for Cambridgeshire has the most Cambridgeshire pupils ever taking part. And it is not just about the climate-change-causing carbon dioxide. In terms of local air pollution, the school run is one of the worst offenders. It's those short, stop-start journeys with cold engines which are the most polluting – pumping out carbon monoxide, particulates and other compounds that are linked to worsening asthma symptoms and poor air quality.

Contrary to what some might believe, being cocooned in a car offers no protection from local pollution – in fact pollutants found inside the car are around three times higher than those experienced by pedestrians. The campaign is asking people to leave those keys by the door and Walk to School – and judging by the number of schools involved this year we think it's the pupils that will be leading the way.

Walking to school is very important as it can improve child and parent fitness. It also helps children gain a basic life skill by walking to school. With less pupils coming to school by car it means that congestion outside the school gate is reduced.

John is available for consultation, either in person or by phone, letter or e-mail. He can be reached at the address or telephone number below.

*John Reynolds
4 Hollytrees
Bar Hill
Cambridge*

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e-mail:

john.reynolds@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

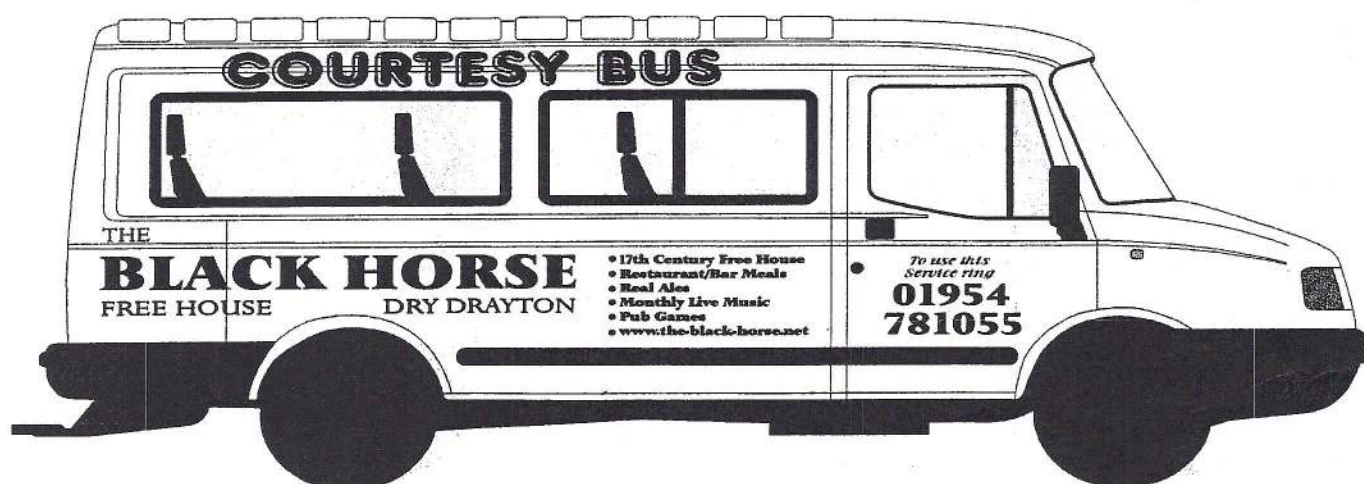


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Roger's Report

A report from newly re-elected District Councillor, Roger Hall

Thank you!

I was both honoured and humbled to be returned as one of your District Councillors on 3rd May. To have received over 60% of the vote far exceeded my expectations.

Many questions were asked during the course of the election. Two of them concerned the youth of the village, the late-night bus from Cambridge and the expansion of youth facilities in the village. For the second time, the 11.15pm bus to the village has been withdrawn as a result of a stone, or stones, being thrown at it. When incidences such as this also occur in other villages and in Cambridge, why is Bar Hill being victimised in this way? I will be pressing for the service to be restored, stopping at the roundabout rather than entering the village to reduce the risk of vandalism. Plans for an expansion of youth facilities have already

been made and these should bear fruit during the next few months.

South Cambridgeshire District Council, as a result of the elections, has now a different shape to it. For the first time in its 34-year history, one political group is in overall control, having five more councillors than the other groups combined. The Executive now comprises eight Conservative members. All other members are being the opportunity to be members of one of seven Standing Committees, most of which have decision-making powers.

It is sometimes difficult to remember the services carried out by the District Council. Among these are:

- **Planning** Everything from a conservatory to a new town (Northstowe). It also includes travellers' issues
- **Waste Collection** South Cambridgeshire is the second best council

in the country for composting and the third for re-cycling.

- **Licensing** The licensing of everything that needs a licence to operate (pubs, clubs, cinemas, gambling establishments, and so on)

- **Housing** South Cambridgeshire still owns nearly 6,000 properties. Half the rent paid by tenants is paid into a central pool for re-distribution.

- **Council Tax Collection** Not the most popular of functions. South Cambridgeshire keeps only 8% of this.

- **Health and Safety** Everywhere where this is essential

- **Community Services** Providing help and advice for community facilities

This is just a very brief outline. If you need assistance as to whether an issue is a District, County or Parish matter, please do not hesitate to get in touch on 780304 or roger.hall90@ntlworld.com



Bar Hill Parish Council
Parish Council Offices
(Near the Health Centre and Octagon)
780456
E-mail: barhillpc-1@btconnect.com

Parish Council Website

Visit www.barhillpc.org.uk to keep up to date on current affairs in the village including meeting minutes and agenda.

Information Centre Site

The new building will be going ahead sometime at the end of the summer. Unfortunately this has been a very slow process but the end is now in sight. However, some of you may have seen a company selling bedding plants and hanging baskets on the site over the last few weeks. They do have the permission of the Parish Council and they should be there until the end of June. Hopefully by then we should be in a position to start demolition of the building.

Scooter Still Not Claimed

A small scooter was handed in to the Parish Council office at the end of March. It was found at the back of Acorn Avenue, close to the Library. If you think it belongs to your child please call in to the office. If it has not been claimed by the end of June, I will find it a good home.

Hedging

The Parish Council tries to keep the trees and hedging in good order throughout the village but I do need you to tell me where hedges need to be cut back. At present it is difficult to prune as birds are nesting and if we disturb them we could be fined up to £5,000. However, if you have a hedge that is encroaching on to a public footpath, please ensure it is kept away from the path to enable residents to walk freely around the village.

Vacancy

Due to the sad death of Eddie Sellars, we have a vacancy for a Playground Inspector. There is an advert here and on the door of the Parish Council Office, giving more details. It is a position that would possibly suit an elderly resident of the village, as it only takes two to three hours a week. If you think you have the time, please call in and let me know.

Parish Council Meetings

The next monthly Parish Council meeting will be on Thursday 21st June at 7pm in the Parish Council Office. All members of the public are welcome.

Leigh Baffa, Parish Clerk

tel: 780456

e-mail: bhillpc-1@btconnect.com

VACANCY

The Parish Council is looking to appoint a play areas inspector.

Inspections are to be made once a week to 5 play areas and the skate park, and payment will be per inspection. The inspections will involve checking for damage to play equipment, broken glass, general cleanliness, uneven surfaces and sharp edges on equipment. This list is not exhaustive - the overriding criteria is the safety of the play equipment and the surrounding area, including seats and/or litter bins.

The inspector will clear and dispose of debris from the play areas, clean off any pieces of equipment which may have been "vandalised", report to Clerk any damage or debris too large to be removed by them, complete a log book of visits on a weekly basis, and affix notices indicating pieces of equipment which are out of order until repaired.

If you think you could do this important job for the village please contact the Clerk in one of the following ways:

- In person - by calling in at the office between 10am and 12 noon Monday to Thursday
- By phone - 01954 780456
- By email - bhillpc-1@btconnect.com

from clay fields to community...



above: Doesn't look quite the same now, does it? This is the digger cutting the first sod - in 1988 - to build what is now "Domino" in Trafalgar Way.

right: The first baptisms in Bar Hill happened in a builders hut! Baptised back in November 1967 - the year the village was "born" as well - where are these babies now?

below: The cross being placed on top of Bar Hill church in 1991



...an exhibition to celebrate Bar Hill's 40th anniversary

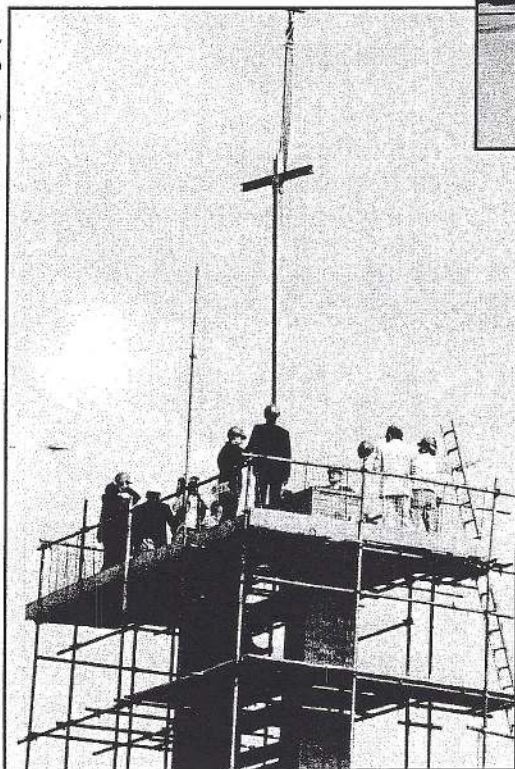
Thank you to the many people who have responded to our invitation to participate in this exhibition. It promises to be an exciting occasion with over 35 groups taking part. The purpose of the exhibition is to celebrate 40 years of Bar Hill and to portray an active and friendly community which is providing many social outlets for a number of people.

To any group or talented individual who has not responded to our original invitation to participate - it is not too late to let us know if you would like to take part. This will be an ideal opportunity to publicise your group and let the village know about your activities and provide a forum to showcase our community in Bar Hill.

The Exhibition will take place in the Village Hall during the Village Fete on Saturday 7th July from 10.00 am until 5.00 pm.

Please try to visit the exhibition with your friends and family and let others know about it too. Come and see how we have developed in the 40 years and what a talented and diverse community we are.

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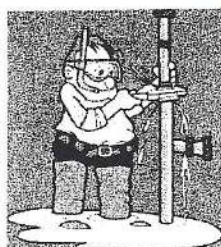
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Invitation

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Room and Facilities For Hire

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Session Times

Mornings 9.00am - 11.30am
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (for Sunbeams), and Friday

Lunch Club 11.30am - 12.30am

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday

Afternoons 12.30pm - 3.00pm

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday

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Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons are especially designed for children in the year before they start school and have a slightly different structure to our other sessions, including cookery, PE, woodwork and music.

Children are welcome to attend from age two years. From the term after their

third birthday children are entitled to 5 free sessions per week. We offer a "places for all policy", whereby we subsidize or give free places to families in need. Annually we ensure that at least three or four children are able to access good quality preschool education through this scheme. Please enquire about this. Parents may choose to help at sessions during our "bring your Mum or Dad to Acorns" weeks, which are very popular.

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Early Years Funding We can offer 5 free sessions when your child is eligible, currently the term after their 3rd birthday.

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Play Tots Session 9.15 - 10.45 Tues. This is for babies to Pre-School. Sessions are on a pay as you play basis.

For more information contact 782892 during session times or pop in and see us. Alternatively contact Sarah on 781871 before 7pm weekdays.

CAR BOOT SALE!

We are holding a car boot sale in the village hall car park on Sunday 24th June. Pitches are £5 in advance and £8 on the day. They will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis, so book early by ringing 782892. The setting up time will be from 08:30 and the sale will commence at 09:30. The pre-school will be open for light refreshments and a place for children to play whilst the sale is on. No large vans or traders please. For any further enquiries please contact the pre-school on the number above.

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Contact Alwyn Keeves on 781050



Out of School Club

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During the holidays we have themed activities, which the children are involved in choosing, as they are with many other issues, such as outings etc - as it is their Club, they even chose its name. The children are given a snack, such as pasta or filled pittas, followed by a biscuit and fresh fruit. We also make birthday cakes to celebrate each child's birthday, which are shared.

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Here's a snapshot of what we are up to:

• 1st Bar Hill Rainbows will be doing a number of different activities based on the Rainbow 20th Birthday Celebrations including having a "20's" themed party, working towards the challenge badge and taking part in the Division party.

• 2nd Bar Hill Rainbows have had a fantastic sleepover at Stibbington. The theme was 'Big Cook, Little Cook' and the girls enjoyed preparing lots of different foods, decorating aprons and chef's hats, and having fun with science.

• 1st Bar Hill Brownies welcomed some Rainbows coming up. As always, we start the term with a Pow Wow to discuss the activities that they would like to do during the term. We also played some team games and they all did some acting, regarding friendship and bullying. The following week was a craft evening, which they enjoyed. We are still completing the Culture Badge and had an

Girl Guiding in Bar Hill is a fun and exciting place to be, where girls of all ages enjoy a variety of activities.

African evening, and will complete it with the Fashion show just before half term. Weather permitting next week we hope to enjoy the outdoors with a Treasure Hunt and Games.

• 2nd Bar Hill Brownies have been celebrating St George's Day and May Day with English activities, and have worked on our Right to Peace badge. We've been on a themed "Under The Sea" Pack Holiday where we made crafts including a felt 'Nemo' and made fishcakes. This term we will be doing pioneering, Nature walk, swimming and a cycle ride.

• Guides will be sleeping in a box to raise awareness of the homeless and will be doing pioneering and making the most of the good weather - fingers crossed!

If you have any skills you could offer to the girls, please let us know. Are you good at crafts and could spare the occasional evening? Could you teach the girls your hobby? We're always on the look out for new ideas. And you don't have to commit to every week!

District Commissioner Vacancy

My term as a District Commissioner is coming to an end. If you are interested in becoming involved in Guiding but cannot do unit meetings each week, this could be the role for you. Interested? Then please contact me and I can tell you more about what this involves.

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Before and after school, 5-8 yrs, term time only, Friday, 0-5 yrs, tel: 200232 • Kirsten 2 full time and 1 part time, tel: 200228 • Debbie Wednesday, 0-5 yrs, and Tues, Wed, Thurs from Sept 07, tel: 201739 • Judith Call for details, tel: 201919 • Melanie Part time, call for details, tel: 204496 •

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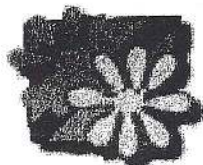
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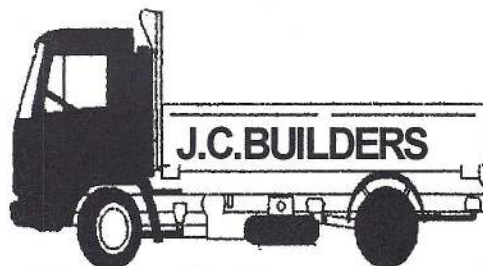


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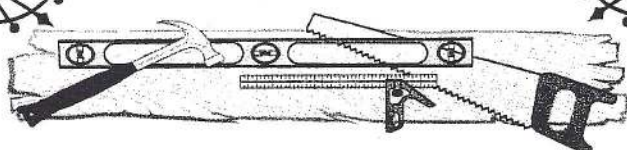
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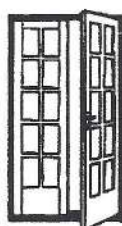
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Lunches

From the middle of May the lunches will return to the summer menu of Salmon, Cheese or Meat Pie Salad or Ploughmans Lunch.

Raffle

A raffle held on 14th May raised £51, which is being donated to the Parkinson Disease Society. Many thanks to members who provided prizes and supported this worthwhile charity.

Holidays

Our recent holiday to Bournemouth

was very successful. Staying at a very good hotel, everyone was well pleased. The entertainment was good, with even Terry Marshall singing his heart out and Fred Styles dancing with his one foot in a sling. An outing to Monkey World was most enjoyable and a visit to Blandford Forum took place on their Georgian Fayre Day. With military bands and displays, including the Queens Gurkha Signals, Morris Dancers, birds of prey, a large fair, and much more, it was a sight to behold. A further trip took us to Norden for a ride on the Swanage steam railway, followed by the rest of the day in Swanage, a delightful little seaside resort. A most enjoyable holiday with Tony's Tours.

The Tinsel and Turkey holiday to the Isle of Wight at the end of November is now fully booked.

Names are now being taken for next years Spring holiday to Torquay.

Competitions

The draw for this year's Club competitions has now been made and will be posted within the club.

They are Darts (men), Darts (women), Rummikub, Crib, Dominoes, Scrabble and Table Tennis. There are a good number of competitors, and the games will be played off during the next few months.

Obituary

It is with much sadness that I record the death of Neville Clark who passed away on 30th April. Neville's health had deteriorated since the death of his wife, just one year ago. Some 80 people attended his funeral service at Bar Hill Church, many from Happy Hours, the British Legion, and his former Cricket Club, all of which he had served for many years.

Dennis Holt
780948



Who needs a facelift, Botox or cosmetic surgery? Just join our NWR group!

Once you're an NWR member, the laughter lines and the brain will improve - thanks to good company and interesting discussions.

Our meetings are held once a fortnight, on a Thursday evening. The next few meetings are:

7th June A taste of history Discussion and food sampling through the ages. At Heather's.

21st June Who's coming to dinner tonight? Who would you invite to a dinner party and why? At Bobby's.

5th July Shakespeare at the George. Ticket holders only.

The Bar Hill group welcomes women of all ages. We would love to see you so do give it a try. It's fun and only £1 per evening to cover costs.

If you would like more information, or someone to accompany you to a meeting, please contact Bobby Colver on 781662 or Heather Wheeler on 781208. You can also find us at www.nwr.org.uk - it's worth a look!

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Friends of Bar Hill Library

The talk by Becky Proctor on The Cambridge Folk Museum, May 15th was very well attended. The audience participated in a quiz about Cambridge sights which were accompanied by slides of buildings and artefacts. Tea and biscuits were most welcome afterwards.

There will be a **booksale** in the Library on June 2nd from 10 am until 12 noon.

Coffee morning in the Library will be

on Thursday June 7th 10 -12.

Family History will be on Thursday June 21st, 10.00 - 1.00 and 2.00 - 5.00.

Thursday July 5th we shall be having a **coffee morning** in the Library - all are welcome.

We shall be having our usual **Book Stall** at the Village Fete on Saturday July 7th. Come to help us celebrate Bar Hill's 40th birthday. Hope to see you there.



Bar Hill Conservatives

Sunday 22nd July - Summer BBQ
Venue: 4 Hollytrees. 12 for 12.30 pm.
Tickets: £12 each.
Andrew & Sally Lansley will be attending.
Call 205265 for details.

THE SUMMER ACADEMY 2007

Workshops in drama, music and dance

Following last summer's popular Guys 'n Dolls workshop in Swavesey and the Easter Mini Academy in April, SNAP! Creatives return to Swavesey Village College this summer for a Wizard of Oz workshop week, 27th-31st August.

The Summer Academy involves daily classes in movement, drama, voice training and ensemble rehearsal. There will be plenty of time for socialising, and on the Friday afternoon, an opportunity to give a live performance of your work to family and friends.

You don't need any experience – but you do need to be enthusiastic, willing to work hard and to have lots of fun! Classes run from 9:30 am - 5:00 pm (staff on hand from 8:30 am - 5:30 pm) each day and participants must attend the full week. The cost per week is £95 which includes a free t-shirt to take home. Discounted rates for additional children in the same family.

Summer Academy weeks will take place across South Cambridgeshire throughout August. For more information on any of the Academies or to register, please contact Gillian on 234476 or gillian@start-arts.org.uk.



RADSOC

***It's audition
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Swavesey RADSOC announces Open Auditions for:

"Soapsud Island" by Phillip Sheahan, directed by Gloria Milne

Performance dates: 12/13 October 2007

Read through and audition dates: Tuesday 5 June and Thursday 7 June

"Jack and the Beanstalk" by TLC Creative, directed by Robin Pearson

Performance dates: 24/25/26 January 2008

Read through and audition dates: Monday 11 June and Wednesday 13 June

All these sessions start at 7.30 and will be held in the Art Room at Swavesey Village College. If you're not familiar with the College, please ring Bob Bright on 01954 201291 for directions. Please also ring Bob if you're interested but can't make these dates.

Local help and support for people with sight problems

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Sports & Social Club

June News

On Independence Day – 4th July, there will be a special offer on Jack Daniels and Budweiser. Come and help celebrate this day and partake in these two favourite tipples.

We will be having an 'Open Day' on fete date – 7th July, where non members will be welcome to come in and see what we have to offer.

Since we opened our new Social Club last October we have adopted a non smoking policy within the building. To comply with new legislation from 1st July there will be a change regarding smoking on the balcony, having areas marked where smoking will not be

permitted.

The Saturday night draws for June will take place on the 9th and 23rd plus fete day, 7th July. Please remember that you must be in the club with your membership card at the time of the draw to win.

Thursday night quiz for June will be held on the 14th.

Don't forget the club is open from 12 pm to 12 am on Fridays and Saturdays.

If you're not already a member, just come along and join.

See you soon!

Julie Circuit



CRAFTS HILL BRIDGE CLUB

The club plays duplicate bridge every Wednesday in Longstanton Village Institute Hall in the High Street, starting at 7 pm. We have members from Bar Hill and local villages. This is a small friendly club of mixed standard and we welcome visitors and new members.

Just turn up (with a partner) or for further information please telephone 230121.



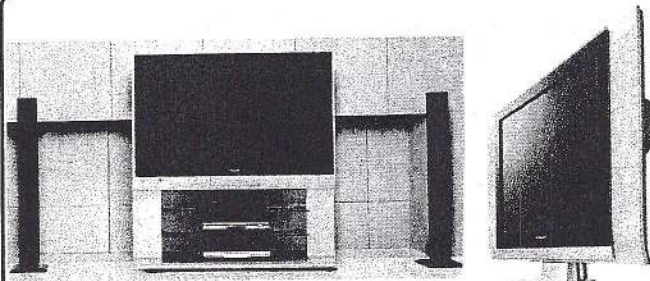
8 O'Clock Club

The 8 o'clock Club meets on the first Thursday of each month at 8.00pm in the school. Our meetings are very informal and are open to all ladies from Bar Hill. We try to have varied meetings with speakers, outings and meals out.

The programme is as follows
7th June - Garden party at 152 Hillcrest. Members only

If you would to come along to one of the meetings please feel free to turn up at 8 pm or give me a ring on 204171.

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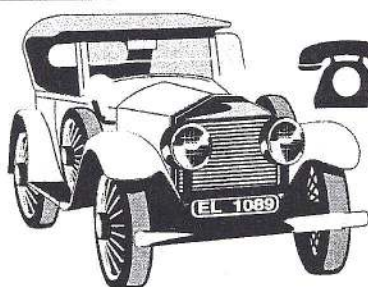
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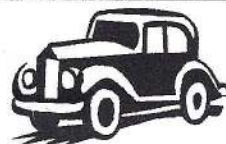
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BAR HILL COLTS F.C.



The end of the season is here, but work continues, as we replace the old goals on the village green, and get everything ready for next season. This month we thought we would put the spotlight on our most successful team, so without further ado, I will hand over to **Ruth Pimentel** who will explain all.

BAR HILL SAPPHIRES -



SIMPLY THE BEST

Four years ago my supremely keen footballing daughter, **Gaby Pimentel**, and her incredibly skilful football friend, **Gemma Clare**, decided that it was time to start a girls' football team. Gaby had been playing with the Bombers and had reached an age when she could no longer play in a boys' team. Very reluctantly, and after a huge amount of support from Jairo I begrudgingly took them on – thinking it would be nothing more than a whim. I have always confessed to not knowing the first thing about football – all I draw on is my experience as a teacher. Gaby and Gemma managed to cajole their friends to join and it didn't take long for us to get a squad. And that was how the legend began. We have just finished our fourth season together and what a season it has been. They have won the league, the cup and **Zoe Fisher** (our fab striker) managed to top the goal scoring chart. This is the third season we have won the cup (albeit a very tense final ending on penalties) – and I don't think it can get any better.

I am so proud of each and everyone of the girls that have been part of the team. Although we have inherited new players over the years, the main core of the team are a group of girls who have been friends since playgroup.



Through thick and thin they have turned up to play together, even when friendships were strained football brought them together and I know these are friendships that will last. I am often complimented on the manner in which the girls play, not only in their skill but also their behaviour. Many of you may have seen them on the school pitch on a Saturday morning – I have witnessed a growing crowd watching them and am told how nice it is to see girls playing football. Particularly in a village where football is such an important part of the community.

We will still be together next season and hopefully it will be just as good – but I wanted to take this opportunity of showcasing their talent. They have truly made me proud and there are so many people to thank – the parents, the sponsors, Paul Clare and Jairo. Against all odds we have produced one of the most remarkable girls teams – they really are simply the best! Please visit the website for more photos of the nail biting cup final!

We are also on the look out for new sponsors – if you would like to sponsor us and have your company logo on the girls shirts, please do give me a call on **01954 782253**

AGM

The Colts AGM will take place on 19th June 2007 (8.00pm) at the School. As always we invite anyone interested in finding out more about what Bar Hill Colts F.C. gets up to.



BAR HILL ADULT F.C.

If you want any more information (or if you wish to play for) the Adult Football Club, Please contact:

Paul Prime (01954) 203175
John Houston (01954) 200951

COMMITTEE

We now have our new Child Welfare officer in place, good luck Mark.

If you have any questions about Bar Hill Colts, please contact any of us.

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NEXT MONTH....

All the details of our Presentation Evening, so don't miss your copy of the BHN

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Please Note: The views expressed in this column are not necessarily the views of either Bar Hill Colts, or Bar Hill F.C.

.....and don't forget, please do visit our Website, for all the latest news on Bar Hill Colts Football Club:

www.barhillcolts.org.uk



BAR HILL TENNIS CLUB

By the time you read this, our season will have started and Club nights will be well under way on our Courts which were re-surfaced at the end of 2005.

We encourage all current, lapsed and new members to come along and play! Please encourage your family, neighbours and friends to come down to our club social nights to play some tennis. We welcome players of all abilities. An excellent way to keep fit and enjoy the summer evenings in a relaxed and friendly environment.

Court Timetable

• **Mixed Team Matches** Mondays, 9th July, 16th July, 6th August, 6-9pm • **Adult Club Social Nights** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 17th April - 17th September, 7-9pm • **Supervised Junior Play Sessions** Wednesdays, 2nd May - 18th July, 6-8pm •

The Bar Hill Primary School will use the courts in the summer term at dates to be confirmed. Generally, there will be free use of the courts to all members outside of these times.

Annual Subscriptions

These became due from 1st April 2007. We have kept the subs at the same price as last season so you can all enjoy the new courts at no extra cost!

• **Adult Membership:** £35 • **Junior Membership:** £15 • **Family Membership** (1 or 2 adults plus children up to age of 16): £75 •

Guests of members may occasionally use the courts accompanied by members for £2 per person/session.

There will be free, public access to the courts during the weekends of the Wimbledon fortnight (30th June, 1st, 7th and 8th July from 10-5pm).

We shall be holding a quiz evening in October - more details to follow.

Your Committee

• Ray Livingstone (Chairman) 01954 201170 (ray298@ntlworld.com) • John Suchocki (Treasurer) 01954 780 461 • Jackie Quazi (Secretary): 01954 201 267 (jeffandjackie@ntlworld.com) • Paul Chubbuck 01954 781 688 (paul.chubbuck@btinternet.com) • Lynda Symonds 01954 200 179 (lynda_symonds@hotmail.com) •



BAR HILL CRICKET CLUB

Bar Hill got off to a winning start in their league programme, with 2 victories out of 2 for the first team and the seconds also winning their opening match.

David Rush put in arguably the best individual performance in setting up the firsts' win against Over II. He bowled all but one ball of his 10-over spell, finishing with 4 wickets for just 2 runs as Over were dismissed for only 48. Bar Hill went on to win by 6 wickets.

That followed up a 5-wicket win against Granta in the first match, in which Steve Holt took 4 wickets to restrict the visitors to 115 for 8. Craig Driver's 30 not out then took Bar Hill to the finish line after some earlier wobbles.

Dave Fletcher hit the first league half-century of the campaign with 56 as the seconds beat Over III by 20 runs. After totalling 165 for 9, Bar Hill reduced Over to 9 for 5, thanks to 4 wickets for Adam Dean. Over fought back, but David Underhay matched Adam's feat to dismiss them for 145.

Highlights in the early friendlies included Martin Haslop hitting 60 against Girton, captain Mark Thompson 69 and Scott Stanford 49 against Little Shelford and Barry Driver and Sam Wilson picking up three-wicket hauls against Shelford and NCI respectively.

Meanwhile, the under-14s opened their season with an emphatic 10-wicket win against NCI, with Sam Clare hitting 27 not out and Matt Churchley 25 not out.

Full details of the fixture list, plus a host of other features can be found at the club website, www.barhillcricket.org.uk

Look out for future events at the club, and we hope to see you on fete day, when we will once again be providing the barbecue. May we once again thank our sponsors, Andy's Kars, the Sports and Social Club and Domino for their support, and also Dave Stevens for agreeing to cut the Village Green grass weekly, which will make a big difference to us. Finally, thanks to the Parish Council for purchase of the new storage container, which is a vast improvement and for which we are most grateful.

Fixtures

• **June 2:** Histon III (A, 1st XI); Histon IV (H, 2nd XI) • **June 3:** Beehive (H, friendly) • **June 6:** Milton (H, under-14) • **June 7:** Over (H, under-13) • **June 9:** Needingworth II (H, 2nd XI) • **June 10:** Fulbourn (A, friendly) • **June 11:** Longstanton (H, under-12) • **June 14:** Longstanton (A, under-14); Histon (A, under-13) • **June 16:** Fen Ditton (H, 1st XI; Cottenham III (A, 2nd XI) • **June 17:** The Globe (H, friendly) • **June 18:** Milton (H, under-12) • **June 20:** NCI (H, under-14) • **June 21:** NCI (A, under-13) • **June 23:** St Ives III (A, 1st XI); Longstanton II (H, 2nd XI) • **June 24:** Cherry Hinton (H, 1st XI 20/20 cup) • **June 27:** Histon (H, under-14) • **June 28:** Cottenham (H, under-13) • **June 30:** Waterbeach (H, 1st XI); Waterbeach II (A, 2nd XI) • **July 1:** Bar Hill Church (H, friendly) • **July 3:** Granta (A, under-14) • **July 4:** Longstanton (A, under-12) • **July 5:** Cambourne (A, under-13) • **July 8:** Club 20/20 competition •

Paul Stimpson, 782475

LONGSTANTON BOWLS CLUB

We enjoyed a wonderfully warm and sunny start to the bowls season in late April and our first club nights and matches were played in shirt sleeves and sunglasses. However we soon had to shake out the fleeces and waterproofs for the next few matches. Our fortunes followed the weather, and we won our matches 6 - 1 when it was sunny and lost them 1 - 6 when it was rainy.

The green and grounds are looking immaculate thanks to all the hard work put in by our club members and committee. As well as cutting, rolling, scarifying and spiking the green, we installed a watering system, trimmed

hedges, levelled paths, tidied sheds, repaired roofs and painted woodwork. Thank you to everyone who helped out.

Our Opening Day was well attended, with over 20 people turning out to enjoy a roll-up, including some trying bowls for the first time. We always welcome new members to the club, including juniors. Please ring or email for details of how to join. Or come down to the bowls green at the Recreation Ground, Over Road, Longstanton, any Monday from 6.00 - 8.00 pm (weather permitting). We have bowls you can use - just wear flat shoes.

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Children's Activities at the Church

The Holiday Club takes place from Monday 30th July to Friday 3rd August and is called "God's Big Experiment to love us and ask us to love each other". The Holiday Club is for children aged 5 to 11 (at primary school) and booking forms will be available from 1st June from Claire Thorby or Linda King - forms must be returned by Monday 18th June.

Royal British Legion Bar Hill Branch

Once again we are on the move! From May onwards, we will be in the Church Meetings Room - our previous venue was too small as our membership is increasing. Our meetings take place on the 4th Thursday of the month and new members are always welcome.

We are sorry to report the death of Mrs Ann Barnes, and our condolences are with Terry.

Mary Shubotham, 781553

Bar Hill Residents' Association Meetings

Interested residents are always welcome at our meetings which are now normally held on the **second Wednesday** of the month at the Parish Offices. The next meetings are on 13th June and 11th July.



Football Project

The pitch is available to hire in the evenings during the summer as there is less football coaching. The pitch is suitable for football and many other sporting activities such as mini tennis, hockey, bowls, volleyball and multi sports - it's a great venue for birthday parties. If you wish to find out more about hiring the facility then contact our Bookings Secretary, Lisa Francis on 201160.

If you wish to enter a team in the 5-a-side league please ring Paul Thorby on 781527.

Management Committee

• Chairperson Jack Fleming • Vice-chair Alan Hewings • Secretary Paul Thorby • Treasurer Jairo Marin •



Bar Hill Ecumenical Church Services for June



Sunday 3rd	10.00am	Holy Communion (Anglican)	Kate Aylmer
	6:30pm	Evening Prayer	Ruth Adams
Sunday 10th	8.00am	Holy Communion	Ruth Adams
	10.00am	Quaker Service	
	6:30pm	Evening Prayer (Iona)	Ruth Adams
Sunday 17th	10.00am	Holy Communion (Baptist)	Barry Vendy
	6:30pm	Youth Worship	Heather Smethurst
Sunday 24th	10.00am	All-Age Worship	Linda King
	6:30pm	Holy Communion	Ruth Adams
Wed 27th	10.00am	Holy Communion	Ruth Adams

People to contact:

<i>The Minister:</i>	Rev. Ruth Adams	Tel: 01954 789369
<i>Church Centre Manager:</i>	Helen Cook	Tel/fax: 01954 206120

There is also a Roman Catholic Mass at 6.00pm every Saturday

The Catholic Church of Our Lady and the English Martyrs Hills Road, Cambridge (the Catholic Church serving Bar Hill)

<i>Parish Priest:</i>	Mgr Tony Rogers	Tel: 01223 350787
<i>Deacons:</i>	Revd Robert Joyce, Tony Northrop & Tony Sutton	
<i>Local contact:</i>	Bunty Waters	Tel: 201421

Mass at Bar Hill Church Centre

Saturdays: 6pm First Mass of Sunday

Masses in the Parish Church in Cambridge

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8am & 12.15 pm

Tuesday: 8am & 7.30 pm

Saturday: 6pm First Mass of Sundays

also 5pm at The Ark, Cambourne, and 6pm at Bar Hill Church Centre

Holydays of Obligation: 8 am, 10 am, 7.30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday: 6.45 pm (not after Mass)

Saturday: 10.30 - 11.15 am, 4.30 - 5.15 pm, 7.00 - 7.45 pm

Details of other services are published in the weekly newsletter which is available at the 6 pm Mass each Saturday - copies are available in the Church Centre.

Oakington Gardeners

TRIP TO AUDLEY END

House, Gardens and Park

Wed 4th July. Leave High St 10am, Return approx 5pm

Shop and light meals. Tour of Organic Garden Optional

Members £15. Others £17

Information: Mrs C Jordan 01223 233929

WHAT'S ON

JUNE

- 2nd Friends of Bar Hill Library book sale (*see page 21*)
- 5th RADSOC auditions (*see page 22*)
- 7th Friends of Bar Hill Library coffee morning (*see page 21*)
NWR "A Taste of History" evening (*see page 21*)
8 o'clock Club Garden Party (*see page 22*)
RADSOC auditions (*see page 22*)
- 11th RADSOC auditions (*see page 22*)
- 13th RADSOC auditions (*see page 22*)
Residents' Association meeting (*see page 29*)
- 14th Quiz Night at the Sports & Social Club (*see page 22*)
- 18th Closing date for booking The Holiday Club (*see page 29*)
- 21st Friends of Bar Hill Library Family History (*see page 21*)
Parish Council meeting (*see page 11*)
NWR "Who's coming to Dinner Tonight?" evening (*see page 21*)
- 22nd Dry Drayton Art Group Exhibition (*see page 4*)
- 23rd Dry Drayton Art Group Exhibition (*see page 4*)
- 24th Bar Hill Pre-School Car Boot Sale (*see page 4*)
- 30th Closing date for entries into the Tug of War competition (*see page 4*)

JULY

- 4th Independence Day at the Sports & Social Club (*see page 22*)
Oakington Gardeners trip to Audley End (*see page 29*)
- 5th Friends of Bar Hill Library coffee morning (*see page 21*)
NWR "Shakespeare at the George" (*see page 21*)
- 7th **BAR HILL VILLAGE FETE**
- 11th Residents' Association meeting (*see page 29*)
- 22nd Bar Hill Conservatives Summer BBQ (*see page 21*)

Nick's Nature Notes

I walked down the footpath and, near Fish 'n' Chicken, I saw the rubbish strewn everywhere. Staring in disbelief at the mess, another piece of chip paper flew through the air and landed on the ground. What the hell is... at that moment another piece was airborne. I shall investigate this further... I was stopped dead in my tracks as a large crow rose skyward. I don't know who was more startled - me or the crow. The cause of the mess was solved - a hungry but very clever crow.

When I was a teenager I worked as an apprentice electrician on building sites. I noticed one day, as the glazier had finished the windows, the starlings would fly onto the window sills and start to peck and eat putty from around the windows - probably for the linseed oil it contained. Hungry - but clever - starlings.

Recently I noticed the starlings in Tesco's car park walking up and down the rows of cars, looking at the fronts. They then jump up and pick off the dead insects stuck on the front. Another thing that has evolved in their favour - like the blue tits with the cream from bottles of milk. They are very clever at exploiting a new food source.

Meanwhile at the Nature Reserve, the summer migrants have arrived and are singing their hearts out. The moorhens have some little chicks to feed, the area is verdant and the heavy scents of the different blossoms fill the air. The birds are singing, flowers are blooming, bees are buzzing and the countryside is alive and waiting for you!

Nick Richardson

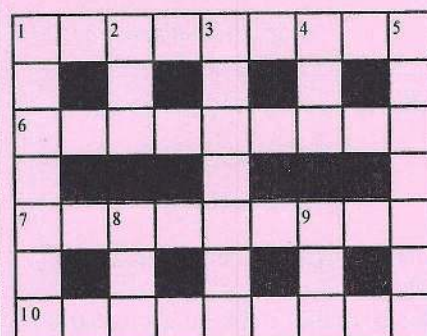
Expecting a Baby?

If you're pregnant and your baby is due between late Nov 2007 and early March 2008, you may be interested in taking part in a programme in which medical students learn from expectant mothers. Over the last 5 years more than 600 women have helped students develop a wider understanding by hearing directly from mothers-to-be. No physical examination is involved. If interested contact: Joanna Griffiths, tel: 01223 769285/769288, e-mail: pfp@medschl.cam.ac.uk or jg239@medschl.cam.ac.uk

BIN COLLECTION DATES for JUNE

- 6th Black bin
13th Green bin and box
20th Black bin
27th Green bin and box

KEITH'S CROSSWORD



across

- 1 Fire stone for carving
6 Capital of Netherlands
7 Somali capital
10 German town

down

- 1 Aware of danger
2 Silly equine
3 Lists of discussion points
4 Turn and spread hay, etc
5 Attach to new frame or setting
8 East Germany
9 This covers most of Earth

MAY'S SOLUTION

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